



November 12, 2014

Marlene Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Sprint Request for Waiver to Permit 800 MHz Wideband Operations in Portions of Texas-San Antonio (Region 53) Prior to Completion of 800 MHz Band Reconfiguration in the Entire NPSPAC Region; **WT Docket No. 14-133.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The City of Edinburg (Edinburg) has reviewed the above-referenced waiver request and provides these comments. Edinburg operates an 800 MHz public safety radio system that will be co-channeled with Sprint's proposed broadband operations in Region 53.

Edinburg has reached an agreement with Sprint for reconfiguration of the Edinburg system. As the Commission is aware, there is not yet a date certain by which the replacement channels being provided by Sprint will be available; it could be many months, if not years, before Edinburg is able to move to the replacement channels. Accordingly, grant of the waiver could result in co-channel operations existing in Region 53 between Sprint and Edinburg, as well as between Sprint and other public safety operators, for an extended period of time.

Sprint's proposed operations 80 to 200 miles away should not pose an interference problem to Edinburg's operations. Edinburg does however understand that in the event that there is radio interference that Sprint is prepared to respond to our request to provide assistance to remedy the problem.

Edinburg has been engaged in discussions with Sprint about the waiver request and has explained Edinburg's concerns to Sprint. Sprint has been responsive to Edinburg's concerns and has provided Edinburg with the special procedures for immediately addressing and resolving any interference that may occur. These procedures include establishing a dedicated call line for reporting of interference if and when it occurs, and the creation by Sprint of a special rapid response team that would immediately address and resolve the interference issues.

Therefore, Edinburg supports grant of the Sprint waiver request.

Respectfully submitted,

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